Minutes of a Regular Town Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, March 2, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

#### Present:

Vincent Villella, Supervisor
Mark Kwasna, Councilman
James Lull, Councilman
Philip Cardinale, Councilman
Christopher Kent, Councilman

# Also Present:

Barbara Grattan, Town Clerk
Adam Grossman, Esq., Town Attorney

Supervisor Villella called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Richard Hanley.

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you, Rick. Why don't we step down, all of us. Labor/Management, would you please come up."

<u>Madeline Sendlewski:</u> "Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. My name is Madeline Sendlewski. I serve as Town Assessor but I'm also the Co-Chairperson of our Labor/Management Committee. Many of you that attend the meetings regularly know that when we're up here, it's always good news.

We have the distinct honor, pleasure of presenting two awards tonight. One will be for Employee of the Year, 1998, and the other is Civic Employee of the Year. At this time, I'd like to introduce the Labor/Management Committee members that are present with us this evening. That would be Barbara Grattan, Maureen Fagan, Diane Stuke, myself, Mr. Lull.

I'm going to start with the Employee of the Year award, a yery special award, and I'm going to ask that you would join in welcoming Sue Beal of the Highway Department down here to be honored.

Now, Sue, I have-- before I present you with the award, we want to invite any family members that are here that you want to-- all of them. Everybody has got to come here. That's a good show of support. Come right up here, folks.

I have to tell you something about Sue's nomination. Every member on the Labor/Management Committee was very touched so I have a little added surprise for her. Just before I give her the Town seal which is a very special award that she'll be receiving, I want you to know that when she was nominated, the guys in her department wrote up the following and it's probably so small, I can't read it. So Diane would you read that for me, please? This is the nomination as they wrote it."

Diane Stuke: "Sue Beal, Secretary of the Riverhead Town Highway for the last 13 years is our nominee for overall Employee of the Year. She is very professional in her duties and very polite to all. If a taxpayer complains about a pothole or any other problem, she listens politely. (Inaudible) She is always willing to help and with a smile on her face. She knows she performs all the duties with efficiency and is willing to go that extra mile. Loyal and dedicated also describes her. We really feel that she should be overall Employee of the Year. And it was signed by 27-- 28 members of the Highway-- "

Madeline Sendlewski: "28 members of her department nominated Sue. And we were overwhelmed with that. We say it says a lot for her. So, Sue, on behalf of the Supervisor, the Town Board, and the members of the Labor/Management Committee, congratulations. Those of us (inaudible). Timmy Benton (phonetic) why don't you come on down, the Deputy Superintendent of the Highway Department, Mr. Benton. Have anything you might want to say real quick about Sue?"

Tim Benton: "Yes. Maybe a couple things. Sue-- I have been working with her since she became an employee of the Town. I've been here for-- this year it will be 36 years and she goes out of her way, goes beyond her duties to do things for the employees there and we was all glad that we agreed to make her the Employee of the Year. And I feel that if anybody deserves it, Sue really deserves this award. And I really enjoy working with her and she is a good-- she says she's my favorite secretary."

Madeline Sendlewski: "We're going to ask Sue if she has any
comment to make."

Sue Beal: "Well, actually I have my little cheat sheet here so I won't forget anything. It should take me about three seconds. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the Labor/Management Committee, the Town Board, my boss, Charles Bloss and Timmy Benton, but most especially I would like to thank my co-workers at the Highway

Department. This is a great honor. They don't even know how much this means to me and I would also like to thank my family and my friends for sharing this very, very special moment."

<u>Madeline Sendlewski:</u> "Sue will also get off a day with pay, a day of her choice, that includes Friday or Monday and she will receive \$100 savings bond. So, Sue, congratulations.

Our next award had its inception about three years ago. This is our third Civic Employee of the Year, and simply stated it is that employee that goes above and beyond to serve their community not only in their official capacity as an employee, but as a volunteer, willing at all times to just step over the line a little bit further than many of us. Mr. Mark Kwasna, Councilman, is going to do us the honors of presenting the award to our recipient who is already up here and why don't you announce who it is— "

Councilman Kwasna: "Jim Lull, recipient."

(Councilman Kwasna read the proclamation.)

Councilman Lull: "I want to thank the members of the Labor/Management Committee for this (inaudible) and my wife, Connie, here who is my cohort and the brains of the outfit and the only one of my four children who is still living in town, Carrie and her husband AJ and our little grandson, Christopher. And I would like to thank everybody for the award."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Chief, Captain."

Chief Grattan: "Good evening, folks. The reason we're here tonight is twofold, sort of a bittersweet occasion for me. We're saying goodby and good luck, happy retirement days to Richie VonVoigt who is standing here to my right with his family, his wife, his son, his dad and his son and daughter. Very briefly, Richie started here in 1973. He came to work for me; I was a young sergeant, I think I was young once, and he had four years experience with the New York City Transit Authority Police. They are now a division of the New York City Police Department. He'd been there four years and he came to work for me and I think back at some of the old times that we had and the different things that we went on. He worked a couple days with fellows; he was already a policeman so he kind of knew what he was doing, I suspected. And I sent him to the 03 sector which is up north of Riverhead and he related later to me that evening, he says,

Sarge, I was sitting at the corner of Deep Hole Road and Twomey Avenue. He worked on the subway cars where at every door was a map of the whole city and how to get around on the subway. He said I was wondering if I might get a call, number one, how would I get there. I didn't know where the hell I was right at that moment. But Richie spent 25 years with us and he was an investigator. He went to Detective Third Grade, Detective Second Grade, tonight he retires as a First Grade Detective.

And that being said, the Captain would like to read a proclamation that the Town Board is awarding him."

(Proclamation was read.)

<u>Chief Grattan:</u> "Richie, we wish you all the best. Here's your retirement badge and I hope it keeps you in good health and you stay in good health and enjoy the rest of your days a very happy man. Thank you for everything."

Richard VonVoigt: "Generally, people don't like to hand me a microphone. When I get it, I don't give it back. But he's a very hard act to follow. Yes I did train Capt. (Inaudible). I don't know what happened to me. He's a Captain, I'm retiring. Whatever I did, I did right for him. I had a great career, I'm leaving a lot of good friends. That's the thing that bothers me the most. It's not leaving the job. Thirty years of law enforcement is enough for any one man. I started in 1967, it's along time. I've handled a lot of complaints, I've heard more people complain about anything and everything. I've seen a lot of downsides of life. Now I'm leaving on a high; I have a great family, a nice young family. We're doing great. But I will miss my friends. And I tell the guys all the time. If something is going on in that place that involves a good time, they better let me know. Thanks a lot."

Chief Grattan: "All right, folks, retirement of Det. VonVoigt left an opening and tonight I have the distinct privilege of promoting someone into that— or asking the Town Board to promote someone into the vacancy that was just created, Tom Lessard, standing to my right, who was— I interviewed for the job. And he joined in 1989, started the job and his birthday is this month; he was born two months after I became a policeman. So, Mr. Kent, would you read the proclamation, please?"

Councilman Kent: "Yes, I'd like to move Resolution 201 which

promotes Police Officer Thomas Lessard to the position of Detective Grade Three."

Supervisor Villella: "Is there a second?'

Councilman Kwasna: "I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Chief Grattan: "Okay, at this time, Tom's older brother, David, would like to— they're twins— would like to pin his badge on for him. I would just like to make note that Tom and Dave's mother, Mrs. Lessard, is here. Would you let the people know who you are? Congratulations, Tom. Best of luck. I know you'll do a good job. (Inaudible) I'm sorry, you were supposed to be up here. The man in the corner is going to be Tom's new boss, Sgt. Mulcahy (phonetic). Thank you."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Approve the minutes of February 16th, the regular meeting of February 16."

Councilman Lull: "So moved."

Supervisor Villella: "Seconded?"

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The minutes are approved."

<u>Barbara Grattan:</u> "Also, Mr. Supervisor, the Special Board Meeting of March 1, 1999."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Yes, the meeting that we had, on special exemption, okay. It was yesterday."

Councilman Kwasna: "I'll make a motion to approve the minutes."

Supervisor Villella: "Is there a second?"

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "All right, seconded by Mr. Lull. Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The minutes of the Special Board Meeting is approved."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Barbara, would you like to read the Reports, please?"

#### REPORTS:

Receiver of Taxes

Total collections to date: \$32,965,363.41

Utility collections report for February, 1999

Supervisor Villella: "Can you hear us now?"

Councilman Kwasna: "Yes, it's on."

Councilman Kent: "Could you close the back door there? Thank
you. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Villella: "You can move up closer. Come on."

Councilman Kent: "We've got plenty of seats in the front row
here."

Supervisor Villella: "We don't bite."

Barbara Grattan: "Those seats aren't reserved now."

**REPORTS:** (Cont'd.)

Receiver of Taxes

Utility collections report for February of 1999 for the Tax Receiver, \$153,347.32

Building Department Monthly report for January and

February. Total fees collected, \$54,840.50

Sewer Department Monthly discharge monitoring

report for January

Police Department The monthly report for January

Town Clerk The monthly report for

February of 1999. Total collected, \$16,316.98

APPLICATIONS:

Shows & Exhibition Permit Chamber of Commerce, Antique

Show on May 23 from 8 to 5:30

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you, Barbara. Are all the doors closed? It seems kind of noisy. Glenn, could you do me a favor? Just close this door for now. We can reopen them later. They're out celebrating. Barbara, could you please read the Correspondence?"

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

Petition To extend the Sewer District

to include the parcels to be developed known as Millbrook

Gables

Charles Cuddy Regarding the Wireless

Communications towers and

antennas

Santino Tomaino Thanking Lindsey Reeve for the

informative tour of the sewer

plant

South Fork Groundwater

Task Force, Sag Harbor Millstone

Regarding the closing of

, ,

George Richmond Thanking and praising Assessor

Laverne Tennenberg and her staff for all the assistance

# extended to him recently

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you, Barbara. There are no public hearings tonight. So-- how did that happen? Whoever would like to speak on the resolutions tonight, please come up. It has to be on the resolutions. Steve-- is Steve coming up? Steve's coming up."

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. Resolution 224. Let me go back to it."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "224, authorizes the attendance at a training seminar."

Steve Haizlip: "The question is, what attendant and what training seminar and where is it and is it employees?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "The resolution book is right-- all the resolutions are in the back, Steve. What this is-- this is for management of the departmental training operation in Wilmington, Delaware and we're sending Sgt. Stephen Palmer to attend the workshop."

Steve Haizlip: "All right. Now."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "If anyone would like to know anything about the resolutions, the book is right out in front on the table. You can look at them, read them, study them."

Steve Haizlip: "With that comment, Vinny, you hurt my
feelings."

Supervisor Villella: "No, Steve-- Steve, I'm not-- "

Steve Haizlip: "I'm going to sit down and I'm not going-- I get here 10 minutes to 7 and I'm going to pick up a big book and start looking through it word by word? No."

Supervisor Villella: "Steve, I'm sorry you got upset but it's out there if you-- you know. I'm not talking about you. I'm talking about everybody else. Stay up there. You've got a few more."

Steve Haizlip: "We've got to go into-- I want 244-- they're so mixed up here, I can't keep track of them. It's the same thing."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Same exact thing."

Steve Haizlip; "Yeah."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "You're absolutely right. This is for the Building and Grounds to go to a seminar. This is for the certified pesticides and chemical applicators."

Steve Haizlip: "All right."

Councilman Lull: "Steve, our buildings and grounds people have
to be certified in pesticide use every year."

Steve Haizlip: "I can understand that. It's just that, you
know-- "

Councilman Lull; "I know what you mean."

Steve Haizlip: "I-- "

Supervisor Villella: "We know exactly what you're saying on here. You're absolutely right. It doesn't say what it's all about. It doesn't spell it out for you but-- "

Steve Haizlip: "I stood up here and-- with the previous administration and Supervisor, I said, when you write these title headings on the resolution sheet, they're too vague. It's like you don't (inaudible) just give the very minimum wording. But, you know-- "

Supervisor Villella: "I know what you're saying, but, Steve, when we do the resolutions, the guys up here, they go through it very thoroughly. They let you know exactly what's going on."

Steve Haizlip: "All right."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "I heard someone say they don't-- "

Steve Haizlip: "Let's see, 220-- I think the other one I wanted to ask about is 224."

Supervisor Villella: "You said that one already. That was-- "

Steve Haizlip: "Yeah, all right. All set."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Anything else, Steve?"

Steve Haizlip: "It's all set until the time comes (inaudible)."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Okay, Steve. I'm sorry you got upset on that. But it wasn't meant for that-- "

Steve Haizlip: "No, I just expressed myself that's all."

Supervisor Villella: "There's nothing wrong with that. As a matter of fact, I like that. Anyone else like to speak? Bill? Okay, I'm sorry, Bill. You've got our attention."

(Mr. Kasperovich spoke in Russian.)

William Kasperovich: "In the-- William Kasperovich from Wading River. In the 7th Precinct in Brookhaven there was a terrible crash-automobile accident where the driver was killed outright and the passenger was injured severely and nobody could understand what this man was saying. Of course, he was in agony and the police were at a loss, while they were waiting for the ambulance to show. The passenger -- a bystander recognized the language and told one of the police officers there and they couldn't find an interpreter. One of the men there said oh, I remember a church down there on the street a couple -- not too far from the precinct house, I heard people talking in foreign language. The police officer scooted down with his car there, the church was closed. One of the neighbors seeing the flashing lights came out to see what was there and said, oh, yes, they have parishoners from the other side in Europe. What language do you want? We don't know what language so she said well, there's one woman that's quite learned, is a doctor in the town and she got in the car and directed him there. The doctor came out and said, yes, I could probably help and she was taken by car there and there was communication made so that just prior to the ambulance taking the man to the hospital, some statistical information could -- was obtained.

Now, you can see from the way I described this that this took considerable time. Now, I'm sure the 7th Precinct after that have arranged things to where they could get interpreters when there is a question of disaster or catastrophe. And so it comes to mind that although— or even though Resolution 210 is good and proper and covers

the Polish and Spanish language, in many respects where the law is involved, where grammatical correctness in the language in translation is important. But I think the police should go one step further and have a list of available volunteers or some other arrangement where in the event of no alternative for catastrophe that these people could be reached for."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "For emergency purposes."

William Kasperovich: "Yes. Yes. This is a matter of saving time, making a direct connection and being helpful. Now, the language I spoke in was Russian. And you could see the difficulties when you're not accustomed to a foreign tongue. But we have enough foreign people here in the township, especially in the summer months, that this at a minimal cost would be a good emergency measure. That's all on 210."

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you for bringing that up, Bill."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "On Resolution 228."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "The first-- is Rick here? Rick, this is your resolution 228 authorize the Town Clerk to publish and post a help wanted ad for site plan reviewer. So I guess-- "

Councilman Kwasna: "What question do you have, Bill, on it?"

William Kasperovich: "Is this an open to the public--"

Supervisor Villella: "Yes. We went through the list already."

William Kasperovich: "Help wanted ad."

Councilman Kwasna: "I believe that's the way the resolution
reads. It's going to be printed in the paper, open to the public."

Supervisor Villella: "It's going to be on March 7 in Newsday, help wanted ad."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "All right. This is not for an exclusive listing?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "This is open."

Councilman Kwasna: "The list has been used up."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "The list has been used up and the person that we thought was going to take it-- she did not. So we have to go out now to, you know, out there in the open."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "All right. That answers that. I look to see for this town to be an equal opportunity employer and these points of legality are important to individuals and the correctness of search is important to the reputation of the town."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Anything else, Bill?"

William Kasperovich: "Not-- "

Supervisor Villella: "You can come back later -- George -- "

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "I'll come back for the open subjects for the good of the township."

Supervisor Villella: "Good, thank you."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "All right."

Supervisor Villella: "George, I think you were next."

George Schmelzer: "They say you're going about-- I figured shut it off. It's been off for a while. This Chris' building that you knocked down, what's wrong with the building?"

Supervisor Villella: "Excuse me?"

George Schmelzer: "What's wrong with Chris' building that you want to knock down?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "He wants to know the reason why, I guess, why, bad shape or anything like that."

Adam Grossman: "All I-- the only way I can respond to that question, George, is to refer to the building department. The building department recommends that the structure be demolished because they believe it's an unsafe structure that causes a hazard in the surrounding community."

George Schmelzer: "Well, what kind of hazard?"

Adam Grossman: "Well, I can't speak on behalf of the building department. They're the ones that make these determinations. They made that recommendation to the Town Board, there was a public hearing, the owner of the property had an opportunity to come and refute the testimony of the-- building department employees who attended that public hearing. After that, the Town Board adopted a resolution to demolish the structure (inaudible) authorize to approve the bid of the demolition."

George Schmelzer: "Well, they can do that to any building they want-- the way it looks, just like in eastern Europe. A couple years ago, the Rimland building, the engineer (inaudible) nothing wrong with it all. Now, last year they flipped and said it's unsafe. So it's anything you want, they can do it, can't they? What a system we got."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "George, in this particular situation, Chris' general store, he wants it to be knocked down and it's cheaper for us to do it than what he-- "

George Schmelzer: "Well, why don't you put that in there then,
make it so understandable."

Supervisor Villella: "We had a public hearing on it."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah, well, I don't go to all the public
hearings-- "

Supervisor Villella: "You should go to the public hearings. They're all Chapter 54's, that whole day."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah, I think you've got a bug on and knock buildings down in town."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Well, we treat the fire marshals, safety issues, and everything, that's what they're recommending, George."

George Schmelzer: "See you've got a new preconstruction tax or fee for a building. What's that?"

Supervisor Villella: "Oh, we can tell you what that is. Do you want to hit on that, Jim?"

Councilman Lull: "Basically, George, what we're taking about and we're not doing anything about this tonight, we're having a-- just scheduling a public hearing. But the preconstruction is to penalize those people who go ahead and do construction that they need a permit for and don't get a permit for. This is a penalty for having gone ahead and done construction that required a permit without first getting the permit."

George Schmelzer: "Well, you ought to change the rules and get
rid of some of that nonsense."

Councilman Lull: "Building or permits?"

George Schmelzer: "Permits. Like a Russian guy told me a couple years ago, I asked him if Russia's getting better. He says well, in his accent, he said Russia's trying to go the way America was but it looked to me like America's trying to go like the way Russia was. That's what, you're part of it. All these damn permits and nonsense, I wonder if this Master Plan will make things worse. I think it will. Because if it made things better, you'd be bragging about it right now, but I figure it'd be far worse."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "George, what resolution are we talking about that's in the packet? It's in there somewhere, huh?"

George Schmelzer: "It's in there. I can't find it now."

Supervisor Villella: "202, we got it."

George Schmelzer: "Okay. I see you have more permits for everything, but you forgot one big one. Somebody should get a permit to have a piece of woodland that burns, make you get a permit. Make sure whether or not the woods would burn when it's dry weather. May need a permit for that, too, make just as much commonsense as that crap you've got now. And forests-- make more trouble than building fires. How would that be?"

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Are you suggesting we use the permits to start the fires?"

George Schmelzer: "No. You need a permit to own some woodlands. See. You've got a permit for every damn thing else you can think of. Everything you come up with something new-- permit, permit, fee, tax. You can't even walk without having a permit.

You're a shoe man, maybe you need a permit to wear a shoe that needs (inaudible)."

Adam Grossman: "George, what resolution are you referring to?"

Supervisor Villella: "That's okay, George, that's fine. You can speak on open comments then on this."

George Schmelzer: "Okay. I've got a couple minutes left. I'll
use that for the next-- "

Supervisor Villella: "You don't have any minutes. You already went over five."

George Schmelzer: "Okay."

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you anyway, George."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah, well, let's see-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "I want to see if there's anyone else who wants to speak on the issues."

George Schmelzer: "Issues? Everything here?"

Supervisor Villella: "Well, yes, on the resolutions."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah, I've got some other stuff, too. I
can't talk now. It's not this issue."

Supervisor Villella: "On open comments you can speak, George."

George Schmelzer: "Now?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "No, no, no. We've got to do the resolutions first."

George Schmelzer: "The revolutions. Some are revolutions."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, George."

George Schmelzer: "Thank you.

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you. All right. Anyone else like

to speak on the resoulutions? If not, we are going to— wait a minute, is there something you wanted to speak on— I thought someone was going to speak on— "  $\,$ 

Supervisor Villella: "All right. We'll go into the resolutions."

# Resolution #200

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Resolutión #200 accepts the Suffolk County National Bank irrevocable letter of credit of Schembri Enterprises, LLC, Country Vue Estates for road and drainage improvements. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #201

Councilman Kent: "It's been moved and adopted."

## Resolution #202

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "Okay, 202 awards a bid for demolition of structures on premises owned-- it was the old Chris' Market as was stated at 519-525 Osborn Avenue, in Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes."

Supervisor Villella: "Before we-- Chris just explain resolution 201 to the people because we just said it was adopted. They don't know what it was."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Well, that was the resolution that promoted Police Officer Thomas Lessard to Detective. We did that earlier."

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you. 203, Barbara."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #203

Councilman Lull: "203 authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public notice for a public hearing regarding a Local Law to consider the amendment to Chapter 52 entitled Building Construction of the Riverhead Town Code (pre-construction fee). The public notice will be on the 16th of March at 2:20 p.m., the regular Town Board meeting, and it's for an additional paragraph in 52-10 Building Permit Fees, the one that George was referring to. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #204

Councilman Cardinale: "This resolution authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public notice regarding change of regular Town Board meeting time on the March 16th meeting. We'll be meeting apparently at 2:00 p.m. here at the Town Hall as opposed to 7:00 p.m. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #205

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Resolution 205 authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise for bids, Riverhead Water District Extension 52, Edwards Avenue, River Road extension. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes."

Supervisor Villella: "We're getting closer, Steve."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #206

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for Riverhead Water District for Extension number 55 which is the Maritime Funding Group Extension. So moved."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "And the Maritime Funding Group is the old Calverton School on Route 25. So moved. Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #207

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Authorizes the attendance of a police officer at an instructor training course in Newport, Rhode Island. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #208

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Resolution 208 authorizes-- accepts a letter of retirement for police detective, Kenneth Woods. So moved."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #209

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Resolution 209 authorizes the attendance of police detectives at a training course in Albany, New York regarding gang activities. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Excuse me, but I hear some talking-- can we have it quiet, please."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

#### Resolution #210

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "210 amends Resolution #7 of 1999. This has to do with contractual services. As Bill was referring to, these are people that we keep on call as interpreters for Polish and Spanish. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Moved and seconded."

<u>The Vote:</u> "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. <u>The resolution is adopted."</u>

## Resolution #211

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "211 approves the special permit of Dwayne Early and I believe if I'm not correct, we'd like to make an amendment."

Councilman Kent: "Well, if you'd move it, then I'd like to--

discussion."

Councilman Lull: "Then I'd move that, yes."

Supervisor Villella: "It's moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded. Discussion."

Councilman Kent: "Discussion. I'd like to make an amendment to this resolution in the Condition section, number 1. I'd like to add some language prior to the semi-colon. I'd like to add the words and that any and all other animals not housed in said facility must be owned by a resident of the premises semi-colon-- and I'll provide this to you, Barbara. With that amendment."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "You also want to explain exactly-- all of them are indoors."

Councilman Kent: "One of the conditions is that all the boarded animals would be housed within the new facility that they plan on constructing on the site. That would leave it that they would be allowed to keep their own animals in outside runs and I just wanted to add the affirmative language so that it wouldn't be left as an open issue as to what we were referring to."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "I also want to just correct that for a second, Phil. The other runs are not outside runs. They are inside outside runs with the understanding that more than likely at night what's going to happen is that everybody is going to be inside anyway."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "We just wanted to limit the dogs that could be in the inside outside runs to dogs that were owned by a resident at the premises and since the applicant doesn't have any problem with that condition, I wanted to make sure we added that condition."

Supervisor Villella: "The whole idea is to keep the noise inside."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Correct. But we can't control— if the residents at the premises own dogs, they're allowed to have their dogs outside. We can't prevent somebody from having their dogs outside

unless they're violating the code. We have a noise ordinance."

Supervisor Villella: "If they bark- then the-- okay."

Councilman Lull: "Do you want to move that amendment, Chris?"

Councilman Kent: "Yes. As amended, I would move the
resolution."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, as amended."

Councilman Lull: "I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "Seconded by Mr. Lull."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Yes, to add the language to the amendment. I assume we're having a vote on the amendment resolution."

Councilman Kent: "The amended resolution, yes."

Councilman Cardinale: "When does that vote come?"

Councilman Lull: "Right now."

Supervisor Villella: "We're doing it now."

Councilman Cardinale: "Well, I think the addition of the language is helpful and I'm going to vote favorably to amend it. However, I have reservations even as amended in regard to this permit. I note that the Planning Board's recommendation to us indicates a fourth line which is absent from our resolution, specifically that all existing runs will be housed within the new 6568 square foot facility. With the inclusion of that, I would be inclined to vote yes to this. Without it, I'm inclined to vote no because what we will be doing is-first of all it should be noted that this is a pre-existing, nonconforming use and has no right to expansion as of right. It is-- by special permit and review of the Town Board. I was impressed with the argument that taking 14 inside outside runs and 16 outside runs and placing them in a new interior facility well built as Vinny has pointed out, would be despite the interest and concern of the community, actually an improvement. However, if we are going to permit 32 runs within a new and hopefully a building that has

excellent control of noise, and yet still allow an additional 14 which have an inside component but have a run on the outside, I am concerned that that allows the expansion to be in effect 46 where there was once 30. I think Chris' language is very helpful but I also am convinced that whether a dog is boarded or is a resident's dog, they still make noise if they are in the outside run and in deference to the community and in deference to the fact that this is a residential community, I have that reservation and I would vote no unless the conditions that the Planning Board attached were included, which it is not."

Councilman Lull: "So before you vote, I would like to make my concerns with what you have to say because my concerns with what you have to say are essentially sort of constitutional concern. We do not have any facility in this town to-- nor should we-- to tell people who have animals-- private animals-- where they should keep them. We have a leash law, we have a law that says all dogs must be under resonable control. But reasonable control can be almost anything. It can be a completely fenced yard, it can be on a run, it can be tied up with a two foot piece of rope. But we do not have the facility to make that distinction.

What we're talking about here with the runs that are already there, which are not part of the application, we're talking about the runs that are already there being used for these people's personal dogs and we do not have I don't believe the facility to hold that up to the same kind of scrutiny as we hold up the dog kennel, the boarding kennel, which is in fact a commercial enterprise and which, therefore, is part of the application process and so, therefore, must be held up to much tighter scrutiny."

Councilman Cardinale: "All right, let me respond to that because I have considered that argument. The 14 inside outside units are already a part of the commercial facility. We have a commercial facility in the wrong zone that pre-exists the zoning which has 30, 14 inside outside and they have no right to expansion as of right. They're asking us for permission traditionally and typically when the town gives that permission as we did for example recently in the-Little Flower Home, Father Fagan is it-- Fagan's shelter, we insisted that the previously utilized facility no longer be utilized and that in many instances we can and should insist that it be torn down so that it will not be permitted to remain longer.

The problem here that I see is this. That although these were applicants probably truthfully state that they would use these 14

facilities for their own dogs, there is no way, for example, to know which dogs are in that facilities and there is no way to differentiate that I can tell between a barking dog that's a resident's dog or a boarded dog. So I believe that we should really insist that if we're going to give them 32 interior new units, that we should trade off and insist that they close down the existing facilities.

Now they're doing that with the outside facilities but they're retaining the inside outside facilities. It's a close question but I honestly feel the way I stated and, therefore, I do vote no."

## The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent."

Councilman Kent: "I believe that looking at this we have a situation that's a detriment to that area because of the dogs that are annoying the neighbors, even though this facility was there prior to the residential homes that were built in that area. There was a commercial facility there with 30 runs that will now be all housed within a new commercial facility which will have 32 runs. They have asked that they could retain a certain portion for their own dogs and when a resident has a dog they're allowed to have the dogs outside if they choose to have the dogs outside, as long as they don't violate the noise ordinance which we have on the books in the Town of Riverhead. I believe that they could keep the existing facility to house only their own dogs and that's as long as they have a residence there.

There has been a question as to whether they actually reside at the premises. I've been told that they do, that they will continue to reside there and they will only have in that portion of the facility those dogs which they own. As long as the commercial facility is limited to the 32 runs which will all be housed indoors in a facility that has— is well protected from noise to the residents around the area there, around the commercial facility, I believe that this would be a great benefit and an improvement over the situation that now exists, so I'm going to vote yes."

## The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kwasna."

Councilman Kwasna: "I also believe that this will be a great improvement to the facility and, hopefully, straighten out some problems with the kennel and the neighbors from the construction of the building and housing the dogs inside. I have to disagree a little bit with Phil on the example he used, Little Flower, where they wanted

to change some-- build some new residences on the property and what they've done is ask to use the old residence as office space and storage. I think that that's about the same as what we're doing here. We're creating commercial space for the boarded dogs and allowing the owner to use the old space for his own private use. And for that reason, I vote yes."

# The Vote (Cont'd.): "Lull."

Councilman Lull: "And 14 of the runs that have been used as outside runs for boarding are being— or have been destroyed and will no longer be there. That plus the fact the number of people who have communicated with us as to how serious the need is in this town for this kind of facility. It really is a very serious need. And I can attest to it myself with a house full of animals of trying to make plans to go away and we've got plenty of communications from people who have that kind of problem. This is a situation which will help to solve that problem which I believe will make the neighborhood better than it is now and will provide— and they must provide by the resolution we have, a solid, buffered zone between them and the neighboring homes. I don't think there's a loser here. So I vote yes."

# The Vote (Cont'd.): "Villella."

Supervisor Villella: "Ann Morrow (phonetic) let me use her video that she had on this building to soften the noise of the barking dogs and it does deaden the noise so it does help out, but the people in that area have spoken and they've been saying that they really don't want the dogs outside. If they were contained inside that would be a big relief. So if the runs were— all 32 were strictly for indoors, I would vote yes but being that they're not in this resolution I have to vote no."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #212

Councilman Cardinale: "This resolution authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public hearing notice to consider the demolition of buildings owned by Paul J. Hulahan and Stanley Terlecky d/b/a Peconic Associates pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Town Code Unsafe Buildings and Collapsed Structures. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

## Resolution #213

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This appoints Theresa Davis as a 90 day temporary clerk typist in the Building Department at an hourly rate of \$10.9073 per hour. So moved."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay. Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #214

Councilman Kwasna: "It's a Sewer District budget adjustment,
\$31,300. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna."

Councilman Kwasna: "I just want to check with everybody,
everybody knows, I guess, this is for the aquarium property."

Supervisor Villella: "That's-- no, this is-- "

Councilman Kwasna:
property. Okay. Yes."
"It's the other one that's the aquarium

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Lull, yes; Villella, yes."

(Unidentified): "Read the resolution in the book?"

Councilman Kent: "This is the resolution in the book."

Supervisor Villella: "We're reading the same one you are."

(Unidentified): "Well, it's obviously insufficient data-- "

Councilman Kwasna: "Well, they're both in there."

Councilman Kent: "This is for the plant improvement. It's not
the sewer-- "

Councilman Kwasna: "I missed it where it said plant
improvements on the bottom. Sorry."

Barbara Grattan: "Councilman Lull, did you say yes?"

Councilman Lull: "Oh, yes, I did, I'm sorry."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

#### Resolution #215

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Budget adoption, capital project for the Millbrook Gables sewer extension. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #216

Councilman Cardinale: "This resolution appoints a part time animal control officer in the police department. The guy's name is Louis Coronesi and I'm curious as to why he's in the police department. They run it through the police department, still."

Councilman Kent: "Hegermiller is in charge of the-- "

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "I was afraid that was the answer. Okay. So our police run the dog control. Okay, I would move the motion appointing a part time animal control officer in the police department."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes, I think we should hire this person; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Anybody has any problems that they've never had to call an animal control officer before, this gentleman is an expert in exotic snakes. I'll vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #217

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Yes, this extends the parentage leave for Donna Zaweski until June 1, 1999, maternity leave. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "We got this right now, right. This is the third time we've done this."

Barbara Grattan: "This is the third time."

Councilman Kent: "Well, because of that-- well, we had that
contingent employee-- "

Councilman Cardinale: "Want to throw in an extra month so we
can-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, no, that's okay."

Councilman Cardinale: "Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #218

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "218 authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post a help wanted ad for a part time kennel attendant. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "This is a banner night. Animal control officer and kennel attendant. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #219

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "'95 parks equipment and improvement capital budget adjustment, the Recreation Department, about \$14,000-- \$15,000 for improvements in the Stotzky Park parking field, Jamesport Community Center parking field, and improvements to the football field. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

## Resolution #220

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "This resolution is a recreation capital improvement project budget adjustment, moving \$36 from the town park equipment to the George Young Community Center signage account. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "What we're doing here is cleaning out an

account that we spent \$36 more than was in the line and we have to transfer the money-- "  $\,$ 

Councilman Cardinale: "For the \$36 to pay for the sign?"

Councilman Kent: "Well, the sign costs more than \$36."

Councilman Cardinale: "I thought it was \$36 for the whole sign. Okay."

Councilman Kent: "And I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #221

Councilman Kent: "This is a recreational capital improvement project budget adjustment for \$25,400. Again, this is just an increase because the project we intend to do at the Jamesport beach for the basketball and tennis court lighting—lighting of the facilities there and the fence repair at Two Bears came in \$25,400 more than we originally thought it would be. So, so moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

Supervisor Villella: "It doesn't come out of the general fund."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This is out of the special trust account created for recreational facilities."

Councilman Cardinale: "I'm just-- I'm not going to-- I want this to pass because I'd like to play tennis in Jamesport. However, how could-- it's hard for me to believe they were \$25,000 off on that."

Councilman Kent: "Well-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, they added-- "

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Originally the proposal from Ken Testa was to put up wooden support poles for the lights but we can't do that any longer, we have to put up those metal ones like we do for traffic signs-- I mean traffic lights."

Councilman Cardinale: "And that's the \$25,000?"

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "That's the-- the poles are that much more. You know it's \$54,000 just to put up a traffic light."

Councilman Cardinale: "I could climb a pole and use a
flashlight to avoid the expense. This is-- "

Councilman Kent: "Poles are expensive."

Supervisor Villella: "And they could-- everytime the lights have to come on."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Yes, I vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #222

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This is a little league ball field improvement capital project budget adjustment which is-- going to spend \$12,965 on some new fencing for some of the fields. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Moved and seconded."

Councilman Kent: "This is a project again where we're taking down-- if anybody's been to Stotzky Park little league, they have these little wooden house dugouts which are only about five feet six inches high and if you are a coach and you're over five six, you bang your head everytime. So-- but that's not the only reason they're doing this. We're going to put in new dugouts and we're going to put down cement pads because right now it's just dirt and the kids-- it's ridiculous in the dugouts-- it's all full of-- there's other things in there in these structures people have been using them for sleeping

there and for doing other acts there and then the children come the next day and there are broken beer bottles and all different types of things in there. So this would be remedying a really bad situation at the park. So that's what this is all about. And, again, it's coming out of the recreational—recreation fund."

Councilman Cardinale: "Thanks for sharing that with us."

Councilman Kent: "Yes. This has been a problem for years."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "All right, it was moved-- we have to second it?"

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #223

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Appoints a public safety dispatcher in the police department -- and the Personnel Committee recommends Karen Walsh be hired. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #224

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Resolution 224, again, authorizes attendance at a training seminar for Sgt. Stephen Palmer in Departmental Training Operations in Wilmington, Delaware. These are all in budget, Jack? They're all lined? Fine. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #225

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This is a budget adjustment, once again, for something that came in a little more expensive than we had thought. This is the renovation to the Corwin Benjamin House, on Main Street, \$5,500. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #226

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This is a budget adjustment for the Business Improvement District of \$315. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

## Resolution #227

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Awards bid for recycling containers after several months of discussion. Yes. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "In other words, they didn't like the lid that we were going to design."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "The recommendation to Johnny was that we put those domed lids on-- that sometimes scatter around."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "All right. Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #228

Councilman Cardinale: "This resolution authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post a help wanted ad for site plan reviewer which we sorely need. So, please, anyone out there who knows anything about site plan reviewing, come right down. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Councilman Lull: "Tim, would you like to clap on this one?"

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

## Resolution #229

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This awards the bid for medical supplies. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

#### Resolution #230

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This awards the bid for electronics to Patchogue Stationery. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

Councilman Cardinale: "Electronic what?"

Councilman Kwasna: "Must be buying batteries."

Councilman Cardinale: "Anybody know?"

Councilman Kwasna: "Where's Jack?"

Supervisor Villella: "Where's Jack? There he is."

Councilman Cardinale: "What is this?"

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "Office equipment that plugs in. Calculators, etc."

Supervisor Villella: "How come I have one that doesn't plug in?"

Jack Hansen: "It's not electronic."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay."

Councilman Cardinale: "What are we buying?"

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "We're awarding the bid to a particular stationery-house and whenever we want to buy something--"

Councilman Cardinale: "Then you order off that-- okay, they
gave us a list and they were the cheapest?"

Jack Hansen: "Yes."

Councilman Cardinale: "Okay. I don't know-- am I supposed to
vote? Yes, I'm voting yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #231

Councilman Lull: "Authorize the Town Clerk to publish and post public hearing notice to consider the demolition of buildings owned by Delphine & Warren Booker, Jr. pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Code of the Town of Riverhead entitled Unsafe Buildings and Collapsed Structures. This is one of several of these public notices tonight, that public hearing will be held at 1:00 on March 25th, right in this

room. So all those Chapter 54 public hearings will be held at that time. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Before you go to 232, this is already being taken care of. The owner is taking down the buildings so it shouldn't even be here."

Councilman Kent: "Why don't we table this one."

Supervisor Villella: "Just table it."

Councilman Cardinale: "I would move to table Resolution #232 in view of the Supervisor's comments."

Councilman Kent: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded to table."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes, to table; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is tabled."

Resolution #233

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public hearing notice to consider the demolition of buildings owned by Gary Malloy pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Code of the Town of Riverhead entitled Unsafe Buildings and Collapsed Structures. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

<u>The Vote:</u> "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. <u>The resolution is adopted."</u>

Resolution #234

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This authorizes the acceptance of a performance bond of the Inn at East Winds. This-- they have submitted a five percent performance bond in the amount of \$323,000. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #235

Councilman Cardinale: "This resolution amends Resolution 99-47 which named a Route 58 corridor committee, most notably it indicates that the report of that committee should be due not later than September 1, 1999 and it should—yes, I'd like to see it quickly—and that it should include any viable scenario for alleviating traffic congestion at that Route 58 corridor."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "So at this point, can we add the other person who is on that committee?"

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Yes, I was going to ask that. Is there any other person that is on this committee that is unnamed here?"

Supervisor Villella: "Well, did you pick one, Mark?"

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "Yes. Charlie Bloss to represent Riverhead Fire District. He's the Fire Commissioner."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Charles Bloss. I would ask that on the second to last Resolve clause, we add the name Charles Bloss and as amended I move the resolution."

Supervisor Villella: "Is there any discussion on the time limit? Do we have any problem with that?"

Councilman Lull: "I don't have any problem with it. I'm just-as long as Phil is comfortable, it's his committee."

Supervisor Villella: "Do you think it should be longer?"

Councilman Cardinale: "I think that there is-- having dealt

with committees in the past, they'll probably come back saying that--

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "You're the chairperson of this committee."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Yes. But what I think might happen is they will be in the middle of things and recommend to the Board that it extend that date, but I would like to keep the pressure on this committee to-- "

Supervisor Villella: "But if they think they have to go longer, they can come back to us?"

Councilman Cardinale: "Yes."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, let's leave it that way then. Okay."

Councilman Cardinale: "Just to name Charles Bloss."

Supervisor Villella: "That's it."

Councilman Cardinale: "And as amended, I move it."

Supervisor Villella: "Is there a second?"

Councilman Kent: "I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #236

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Appoints Kevin Burgess as a recreation aide to the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes;

Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #237

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This appoints Desiree Kessunger as a recreational aide to the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #238

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "238 appoints James MacLeod as a recreation aide to the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #239

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "This sets registration fees for the Recreation Department programs and those fees are listed on the attached schedule. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

<u>The Vote:</u> "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. <u>The resolution is adopted."</u>

Resolution #240

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This is the DeFriest force main encasement capital project budget adoption, a \$20,000 project to incase a force main in the Sewer District. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #241

Councilman Kwasna: "241 is Calverton Water Plant #11 capital
project budget adoption. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

Councilman Kwasna: "Across from Wading River Motel."

Councilman Kent: "Right. A four acre site where they're going
to have-- put some wells-- Gary is here if anybody-- I think Gary's
here."

Councilman Kwasna: "He was here. He might have left."

Supervisor Villella: "We already had a public hearing on this."

Councilman Cardinale: "Okay. Am I supposed to-- we're voting?'

<u>The Vote:</u> "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. <u>The resolution is adopted."</u>

## Resolution #242

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "This is Calverton Sewer District capital project budget adoption. This is basically engineering work for the Calverton Sewer District. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #243

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "This is a budget adjustment \$5,800 from general fund to engineering. I have absolutely no idea for what."

Councilman Kent: "The CDA."

Councilman Cardinale: "It's a CDA. Anybody know--"

Councilman Kent: "Jack's the only one here. I don't think
Andrea is here right now."

Councilman Cardinale: "I can appreciate the public's viewpoint
that this doesn't tell us a lot."

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "That is for the CDA property on East Main Street for the test wells, for the remediation."

Councilman Cardinale: "This is for the test wells-- "

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "And the budget didn't have sufficient funds to incorporate or engage H2M to do the remediation-- the wells."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Yes, this is for the test wells to determine the source of the contamination on the aquarium site."

Jack Hansen: "Right."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Okay. Accordingly, I vote yes."

Councilman Kent: "You're moving it; I'm seconding."

Councilman Cardinale: "Well, whatever."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

# Resolution #244

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "This authorizes the attendance of employees at seminar. This is the Long Island-- relating to pesticides and health at the Holiday Inn in Ronkonkoma. I believe we're sending some of our buildings and grounds people down to the seminar on pesticides application. So moved."

Councilman Kwasna: "Second."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "I think that the quotation mark may be in the wrong place because I think they're going to study current issues on Long Island relating to pesticides and health at the Holiday Inn in Ronkonkoma."

Councilman Kent: "I think there should be a comma there, yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent, yes; Kwansa, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

#### Resolution #245

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "This is the ambulance district budget adjustment. So moved."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "Problems with the spelling of ambulance in the use of district. Otherwise, I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "It's spelled right here and it's wrong there."

Councilman Lull: "And it's not a district. Okay. I'll second
it."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

### Resolution #246

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "It is a general fund budget adjustment, the largest of which is a taking money from a law enforcement block grant that we have received and putting it into police vehicles. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

#### Resolution #247

Councilman Cardinale: "This is the appointment-- long awaited-of a detention attendant and we need more according to the Supervisor. It's a part time position at an hourly rate of \$11.20, John Letson is the appointee who I believe we just appointed to drive a bus so he's going to be doing at least two things-- and doesn't come on to a full time job-- so in any event, we're making good use of him and I move the appointment of the detention attendant. So moved."

Councilman Kent: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

## Resolution #248

Councilman Kent: "248-- I'd like to discuss this. I'm not aware that we discussed this at a work session but I'd like to discuss it further here. These people are going to be implementing some grant monies that we have to put in software for the computer programs at the police department."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Police department, yes."

Councilman Kent: "What I'm concerned though-- is it an hourly
rate of \$150 per hour plus \$25 per day for traveling expenses?"

Supervisor Villella: "Will not exceed \$5,000."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "I understand that if they fall below that-required to go out to bid, but is this a customary hourly rate for computer programers?"

Supervisor Villella: "Come on up, Jack."

Councilman Cardinale: "If it is, Chris is changing
professions."

Councilman Kent: "I'm thinking about going back to-- "

Councilman Cardinale: "\$150 an hour-- "

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "They're not programers."

Councilman Kent: "Well, what are they doing? Tell me more."

Jack Hansen: "They're helping to create the infrastructure for the police department in the proper manner and help negotiate with AT&T or Bell Atlantic because it seems that we have various opinions on what the costs should be so we're trying to get somebody that knows the business as far as the-- for example, the laptop computers are going in the police cars-- "

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "These are for computers within the police cars?"

Jack Hansen: "They're working on it, that's part, yes. We are
going to have a grant for-- "

Supervisor Villella: "The grant-- \$198,000 we're getting the grant."

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "We're trying to spend the \$198,000 grant that we are getting in the most efficient manner as possible. We need somebody with a large expertise and a specific expertise. And he has done work in Nassau County police department and various other police departments on the island."

Councilman Cardinale: "Did we get a comparative quote here? I think our concern is not that we're hiring them but that the hourly rate is what it is. He could at least like stay over and not get \$25 per day for travel expenses if he's making \$150 an hour. But beyond that, seriously, this is not a bid item so you don't have to bid it. But did we compare it?"

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "It's a consultant. It's not the-- "

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Yes, other people do this kind of consulting. Did we call somebody else and say what will you do it for? That's what our question is."

Councilman Cardinale: "Well, there must be somebody else
selling the same oranges."

Supervisor Villella: "There is and Charlene that does the grant got this money for us through Congressman Forbes. The other police departments use this and it works out very well for them. In the long run it saves us money because they know what they're doing."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "There's nobody else competing? No wonder he's getting \$150."

Jack Hansen:
Nassau County."

"He's very successful in what he developed in

Councilman Cardinale: "I'll say."

Jack Hansen: "And a few other places."

Councilman Lull: "Jack, the major concern in dealing with grant monies is usually if the grant money is paying for something which then we're going to have to pick up the expenses of in the future, then the grant monies are, in fact, not going to be a-- not necessarily a positive for the town. In this particular case it seems like you're telling me that we're using grant monies for this project but also in cost evaluations as well."

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "Yes, for long term every day operating expenses that will be incurred today will be there next year and the year

after. And we've had several prices with some of the connectors for the telephone company and everytime we talk to them, they raise the price. And we're doing comparisons as far as what they're doing in other jurisdictions and there's no comparison as far as the dollar amounts. We don't know where they're coming from."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "So in other words we're using money which came from a grant to try and get a better control of money that we're going to be spending in the future when it comes from the taxpayer."

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "Right. That is correct."

Councilman Cardinale: "Just, I don't want to belabor this, however, I laud the fact that we got the grant. And I am glad that we are doing a good job in implementing it. But Chris' and my concern I think are really simple. Before we pay the guy \$150 an hour and \$25 for expenses, could you get us a comparative quote from somebody in the business and if he says \$175 I would feel good. But if he says \$100 I would consider using him. That's really I think all we're saying."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "I just wanted to know what the going rate is in the field. If the industry is \$150 an hour, then this guy is excellent or-- "

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "He's coming with the credentials, that's why the police department and the accounting office have met with this individual and have been very, very impressed and he has already saved us dollar amounts."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "That's why they recommend-- because they went through other programs-- other people they tried in the past are a little bit less, absolutely. But they deliver the program the way it should be."

Councilman Cardinale: "Have we used this guy before?"

Jack Hansen: "No."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "How do we know-- have we compared his product or his service and gotten a comparative estimate from another person?"

Jack Hansen: "No, we have not."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "So if we haven't done those two things, how can we vote on this?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "The other police departments that gave us the recommendation."

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "We went to other police departments to ask for recommendations for people in this business with police law enforcement."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "So we are relying on their recommendation basically?"

<u>Jack Hansen:</u> "We are relying on their recommendation. Yes. He has a good track record with every police department we've talked with. And we've talked with several."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "He treats them real good because he charges them real high. Okay."

Jack Hansen: "It's a unique field."

Councilman Cardinale: "I can see that."

Supervisor Villella: "He has a cap of \$5,000."

The Vote: "Cardinale--"

Councilman Kent: "I'm going to trust Jack's recommendation on
this."

Supervisor Villella: "Well, it's the police department's recommendation and Charlene's and Jack's. It's a combination. They already did all the homework. They checked with all the police departments that have used this."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "And with that comparative estimate for the services in the field, I'm comfortable voting yes. So I'm going to vote no."

Barbara Grattan: "So you're voting no?"

Councilman Cardinale: "Yes, because I don't know-- yes, I'm
voting no."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Based on Jack's presentations and the fact that they feel this person is an acceptable consultant to the town, I'll vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

#### Resolution #249

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "249 authorizes the Town Clerk to publish and post public notice to consider the adoption of regulations for the implementation and administration of Chapter 14 entitled Community Preservation of the Riverhead Town Code. This has to do with the real estate transfer tax. I believe Adam has a few things to say on it."

# Supervisor Villella: "Adam."

Adam Grossman: "(inaudible) I had been working with other town attorneys in the rest of the five east end towns along with Assemblyman Thiele on adopting uniform rules and regulations for implementation of the community preservation fund in each of the east end towns. What made the most sense to all of us collectively was that the rules and regulations be uniform because it's going to be difficult enough as it is to implement this change in procedure with real estate transactions throughout the five eastern towns.

We have tried as an entity-- the five town attorneys and Assemblyman Thiele to put as comprehensive a set of rules and regulations together as we could to eliminate confusion and by adopting this and putting this in the town code itself, this way members of the public can understand what the rules and regulations are, we'll have those regulations available to them. I believe they're fairly comprehensive so I very much support the public hearing.

The other thing I want to mention is that we have to adopt this before April 1st, that's the date that the local law becomes -- the community preservation fund (inaudible)."

Councilman Kent: "Okay, be careful. Have your department go

through the rules and regulations because I've looked at them for about 20 minutes this evening and I noticed quite a few mistakes. They're so uniform that they refer to the Town of East Hampton so I think at least we should make them refer to the Town of Riverhead."

Councilman Lull: "At this point, I second the resolution. At this point-- you didn't move it yet, okay, go ahead."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "I'd like to move the resolution. This public hearing is going to be at 10:00 a.m. on March 29, 1999 and a copy of this entire text of the proposed adoption is on view in the Clerk's office if anybody wants to take a look at it. So moved."

Councilman Lull: "Yes. All we are doing tonight is setting the time for the public hearing which Mark made it clear when it's going to be. And Adam will have a chance to talk with us at the work session and give us justification if in fact that's the correct word as to why all the east end entities should be having the same (inaudible) and we'll be talking about that at that time, so I'll second it."

Supervisor Villella: "It's already been confirmed from the county people, the clerk's office and everybody's involved so-- "

Councilman Cardinale: "I can't resist this. Southold is
already in effect, right."

Supervisor Villella: "Right."

Councilman Cardinale: "So do they have the same rules?"

Adam Grossman: "They are-- what they did is they adopted it by ordinance."

Councilman Cardinale: "I see."

Adam Grossman: "That's what they decided to do, not by local law, so the time frame is different for them and, yes, the implementation -- the start date for them is a month earlier than the other east end towns but their rules are going to be -- stay the same."

Councilman Kent: "I think each town has different dollar

amounts when the tax goes into effect."

Supervisor Villella: "We're the same."

Adam Grossman: "Riverhead and Southold have the same amounts and the other towns (inaudible)."

Councilman Cardinale: "Thank you."

Supervisor Villella: "So it was moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella.

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "I just wanted to explain that this is—it's going to be a great piece of history for the town of Riverhead, start preserving some of the farmland out there and open space. So with that, I vote yes."

Councilman Kent: "And if you're planning on buying anything, I would get into contract immediately. The contract date, that is the date upon which it becomes effective. If your contract is before April 1st, the tax does not apply. So if you're interested—if you are considering buying something go into contract immediately. Consult an attorney."

Supervisor Villella: "We only have one more resolution left."

Barbara Grattan: "And the resolution has been adopted."

Resolution #250

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "250 approves the site plan of Hunter Insulation. So moved."

Councilman Cardinale: "Seconded."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "I am pleased to vote for this and regret that it was not on our calendar earlier since it was lost in the abyss of the Planning Department. Yes. I vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The resolution is adopted."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Thank you. We are going to go into public comment -- "

<u>Barbara Grattan:</u> "Wait a minute. I've got one more resolution. We've got to pay bills."

Supervisor Villella: "Did we do the bills right? Up until yesterday, I wasn't around today. Jack, the bills, everything is okay?"

Jack Hansen: "Yes. Beautiful."

<u>Šupervisor Villella:</u> "Okay."

Resolution #251

Councilman Kwasna: "I'll move the bills."

Supervisor Villella: "Who's going to second it?"

Councilman Lull: "I will."

Supervisor Villella: "Moved and seconded."

The Vote: "Cardinale, yes; Kent, yes; Kwasna, yes; Lull, yes; Villella, yes. The bills are paid."

Supervisor Villella: "Now I can go into-- because I know Mr. McKay's been waiting. I want to put him up first up here for public comment."

Raymond McKay: "I first want to know who is in charge of getting the permission on-- east of Iron Pier, the grounds up there, you know. Been-- the bulldozer has been working there for two weeks and now they came out there later on to stop them. Now, who the hell is responsible for that? (Inaudible) who's responsible for that stopping them from pulling them trees out, there's only one solution-go up there, send them up, dig big holes and plant them trees back again up there. This Town Board, don't you have no responsiblity over who's in charge of that?"

Councilman Kent: "Maidstone."

Supervisor Villella: "Are you talking about Maidstone?"

Raymond McKay: "East of Iron Pier up on the dunes up there."

Councilman Kent: "Yes, that's Maidstone."

Supervisor Villella: "Maidstone, up in the bluffs, yes."

Raymond McKay: "Well, how come the Town Board let them get away so long, pulling all them trees out?"

Supervisor Villella: "I don't think you-- it was the previous Town Board that okay'd it, Ray, and what we're doing now is we're going-- there's going to be a plan for them to replant trees and vegetation and everything. They're going to replant the whole thing and they're going to start-- "

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "That's been submitted to us. There's been a supplemental plan submitted to the town. It's going through the process. Pretty soon they'll be able to get started up there again and they're going to replant that bluff with some new trees."

Raymond McKay: "Okay, well that's wonderful. Now that ramp
over there, the boat ramp-- "

Supervisor Villella: "Yes."

Raymond McKay: "Now, the town spent \$25,000 to put mats on there. There's only \$1,000 worth of mats on there. Where the hell is the other \$24,000? Who took that?"

Supervisor Villella: "You're right."

Raymond McKay: "And they're supposed to clean them mats off-keep them clean the rest of the season; in the fall dig them out and put them back in the spring."

Supervisor Villella: "Well, there again, Mr. McKay, that wasn't-- you're absolutely right. It's a mess there and they should never have done what-- they didn't take care of the mats and-- "

Raymond McKay: "Who was that?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Well, the people that were in office previous to us."

Raymond McKay: "Well, you've got two of them sitting on the end--"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "No. I don't think-- it was even done before that."

Raymond McKay: "You were here when they puts the mats down, remember, Mr. Kwasna."

Councilman Kwasna: "Yes. That was the recommendations of the engineers of the best way to do it that time as a temporary solution because we did have the plan to redo all of Iron Pier which we still do and we're still working on it, but it's just taking so long with the DEC. Those mats were only supposed to be a temporary solution and now, hopefully, by this spring we're going to have a solution for the boat ramp and it's going to be done right because we're working it out with the DEC."

Raymond McKay: "Oh, that DEC, just forget it. Do your own. Get a couple of boys here that have some common sense. The DEC, they read a book and they got all the answers."

Councilman Kent: "Well, we hired a--"

Raymond McKay: "Why don't you get somebody from local who's got some common sense. Go up there and he'll tell you what to do."

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "Oh no, they are telling us what to do but then the DEC is telling us what we can and can't do."

Raymond McKay: "Forget them."

Supervisor Villella: "I'd like that."

Councilman Kwasna: "I wish we could forget them."

Raymond McKay: "But, on that first ramp over there that was put up there, what I wanted to do, suggested when it was first put in there, is go up-- Ambrose over there in Flanders, in the wrecking business, he had six-- he cleaned off the frames of six trailers. I said put them down, (inaudible) who was the road superintendent at

that time, it was under his jurisdiction. And, excuse me, Ted said that would be a very good idea, Ray. And somebody comes along and says no, we don't need no heavy equipment like that. He says we'll put wire in there. So they put wire. You see what you've got?"

Supervisor Villella: "A mess. That's why the new plan-- we have a new plan in front of us, Ray, that actually if you have a chance, make an appointment to come into Town Hall, I'll show you what's going to be done. We finally got the approval from the DEC to do this. The DEC would not give us any approval for any old plans that were submitted. I had to meet with them and I said do me a favor. We need a ramp there, what can you do for us? And they suggested to do it a certain way. So you're welcome to see the plan."

Raymond McKay: "Okay, all right."

Supervisor Villella: "We have to work with them. That's why we didn't get the big project that the town wanted to be done there, they wouldn't allow that. But they are going to allow us to do the ramp and also to fix up the beach. It's going to like a half a million dollar project instead of a \$900,000 project. But we're going to do what's best for Iron Pier."

Raymond McKay: "Oh brother. Well, anyway. I'm glad they're going to pay for it so we don't have to pay for it."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "No, no. I didn't say that. I wish you were right about that. We have a capital improvement budget that most of it's coming out of."

Raymond McKay: "Well, about two months ago, at the high school, the ROTC had their annual-- well, program. There's 125 boys in there and you could-- it's a beautiful thing to see them going through there with their uniforms on, practicing for this whole season. Them boys have got to be at the high school at 7:00 in the morning to practice, you know, I don't know if you boys know that or not."

Supervisor Villella: "They do-- I know very well. I'm going to-- March 20th-- "

Raymond McKay: "But there was not one Town Board meeting member at that-- when's that?"

Supervisor Villella: "March 20th we're going to it. They have

one on March 20th. It's a Saturday."

Raymond McKay: "Well, I hope somebody from the Town Board--"

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "We just got invited to it."

Supervisor Villella: "We heard even == well, there was only one person that went from the area and -- but March 20th, it's on our calendar. The other one wasn't on our calendar, Ray."

Raymond McKay: "This Town Board is so weak on youth,
supporting-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, I don't think so."

Raymond McKay: "You tell me where?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "We have the best youth program than any five eastern towns out here."

Raymond McKay: "How about the youth recreation center?"

Supervisor Villella: "We're working on that. We need that."

Raymond McKay: "Yeah, I know, I heard that 10 years ago, too."

Supervisor Villella: "I'm telling you what's happening now. Ray, I could talk about what's happening now, I can't talk about 10 years ago."

Raymond McKay: "Well, I'll tell you one thing."

Supervisor Villella: "I'm here for the youth and for the seniors. I'm here for everybody. We've got to do it."

Raymond McKay: "Yeah, I know."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Well, thank you."

Raymond McKay: "But five of us old time farmers got together here and we said one thing. The farming is out so don't use the word farm anymore. You've got a few sod growers, grape growers but no more potato growers, you know. So-- "

Supervisor Villella: "Well, there's a new plan coming up, Ray."

Raymond McKay: "Just say land, just land."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "The potato farmers are going to be needed again because there's a distillery coming in need 4,000 acres."

Raymond McKay: "So, I tell you what. We're going to do. We're going to take and put an injunction on this new resolution that was passed on that taxing certain property. So that money just go to the youth of Riverhead town. There you are. That's all I wanted to tell you. If you don't believe us, you challenge us."

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you, Ray. No, I don't understand what you were saying about-- "

Raymond McKay: "You know, instead of taking this money and buying-- they call farmland, preserving farm land-- there is no more farm land."

Supervisor Villella: "We've got 14,000 acres."

Raymond McKay: "It's land, you've just got land, that's all."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, open space. We want to preserve open space."

Raymond McKay: "Oh, open space. Go out in the Atlantic Ocean. You've got open space. No, that don't make sense. Use your common sense."

Supervisor Villella: "What would you like to-- I don't want to see that built up."

Raymond McKay: "Put this money into youth of Riverhead town."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "We have other areas that we have money that's going into youth, Ray. And you're absolutely right."

Raymond McKay: "This would be some money coming in there for that. We could do some work with that. Forget the farm-- the land."

Supervisor Villella: "It's a law; it's already been enacted."

Raymond McKay: "Well, we're going to put an injunction so you can't use any of that money, use it for the youth. Kent, over there, he knows on the end there. He's a very good youth expert over there. Ask him. Why don't you consult him sometime, you know. He's the expert on that."

Supervisor Villella: "He's the little boy of the group."

Councilman Kent: "We talk sometimes."

Raymond McKay: "The youth like him."

Supervisor Villella: "They do."

Raymond McKay: "Well, that's all I want to say."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Well, I don't know, Ray. I go to every function at the high school, I'm there for the youth, I'm sticking up for the youth, I don't know where you're coming from that we don't do anything for the youth because that hurts me when you say that."

Raymond McKay: "Well, where do they want to meet at nights now? The youth, you know. Where do they have a place where they can congregate in the evening?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "They wanted the Jamesport beach, South Jamesport beach down there where you live and we're going to do down at the parking lot here."

Raymond McKay: "Parking lot. That's a wonderful idea. I don't know whose idea it was. Somebody going along on that sidewalk up there on the rollerblades and the first thing you are going to have a fellow come push him over (inaudible) in the river. Oh, that's great. Oh, I don't know who thought on that idea. Congratulate him, whoever thought of that idea."

Councilman Kwasna: "He left already."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "That's okay."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Well, Ray, we're going to reserve some property up at the Grumman site, the former Grumman site. We're going to put some good recreational uses up there, okay."

Raymond McKay: "That's too damn far away for the average Riverhead boy to go up there."

Councilman Kent: "Well, we're also going to do some things at Stotzky Park. We're going to use some of the areas at that park also."

Raymond McKay: "You've got to have a building."

Supervisor Villella: "Yes. That's what we're trying right now."

Raymond McKay: "Any of you boys approached Riverhead Building Supply for the empty buildings that they abandoned here for (inaudible)? You get Jessie Goodale down here, have anybody gave him a plaque over there for picking up all that garbage and paper along Route 58? I've had-- came up and complimented and said whoever's doing that is doing a beautiful job."

Supervisor Villella: "He's doing a tremendous job."

Raymond McKay: "Have you ever come up here and brought him up here and complimented him on that?"

Supervisor Villella: "He's been in my office--"

Raymond McKay: "Never mind. Has he been over here?"

Supervisor Villella: "No. That's something that we should do."

Councilman Kent: "We'll take that recommendation. That's a
good one."

Raymond McKay: "A lot of talk-- a lot of smoke, but damn little fire. Don't you forget that. Another thing. Did you know that Santa Claus only has a garden in the winter time? You didn't know that, did you?"

Supervisor Villella: "No, I didn't."

Raymond McKay: "That's how much you know about farming, see, very little. But that's all right, I'll tell you. You know why he has a garden only in the winter? So he could hoe, hoe, hoe."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "You told me that joke in my store and I remembered that, too. Thanks a lot. And that was two years ago you told me that and I still remember it. Thanks, Ray. Peter Devins."

Peter Devins: "Thank you. Good evening. My name is Peter Devins. I have been asked to read this letter for the record on behalf of the Long Island Pine Barrens Society. The letter is addressed to the Honorable Vinny Villella, Riverhead Town Supervisor, Christopher E. Kent, Philip J. Cardinale, James B. Lull, and Mark A. Kwasna, Councilmen, Town of Riverhead, 210 Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York.

Dear Supervisor Villella and Members of the Riverhead Town Board:

We are writing to request that the Town Board reject the draft environmental impact statement submitted by the applicant, Traditional Links. The number and degree of falsehoods and misleading conclusions and outright omissions makes the DEIS unresponsive to the Town's scoping document and defective. The Town Board cannot possibly review the proposed project on the basis of the applicant's submission. The DEIS is so flawed that it cannot be remedied through a conventional final environmental impact statement.

In addition, we ask the Town to take whatever steps are necessary to conduct an independent review of this controversial proposal. The cost of such a review must not be borne by Riverhead taxpayers, but, instead by the applicant as provided for in the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This letter was prepared as a result of a meeting with Supervisor Villella Friday afternoon. It was requested to be supplied for review Monday morning, March 1, so I have not had time to secure the approval of this request from all of the members of the Grandifolia Sandhills Coalition but the request is consistent with the past position of all of the involved environmental groups.

Thank you for your consideration.

It is signed Sincerely, the Long Island Pine Barrens Society, Richard Amper, Executive Director.

I thank you."

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you, Peter."

Adam Grossman: "Do you have a written copy of that?"

Peter Devins: "Yes."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Adam, just for your information. We've all received individual copies of this letter."

Adam Grossman: "I just wanted to make sure Barbara had it for the record."

Supervisor Villella: "Thank you. And there is a-- Rick and I met with Mr. Amper and there is going to be a meeting with all the environmental groups and Rick and a few of us and we're going to just talk it out. Thank you. Robert Marascia. Did I say it right?"

Adam Grossman: "Spell your last name."

Robert Marascia: "M-A-R-A-S-C-I-A."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, I've got it. Thanks."

Robert Marascia: "I've been a resident of this town for 30 years. Maybe it's not much but 30 years is a lot. I've seen Lilco and people in Shoreham benefiting from the Lilco acquisition and property and whatever they were going to do at Lilco, benefit through Lilco their taxes were reduced by a lot, their school taxes. Their school budget taxes reduced by a lot.

I've also seen the improvements that have been happening, the taking over by the Tanger Mall and all the other stuff of all the land in Riverhead. I would like to know what you are going to do to lower the taxes— the school taxes— in this area. I just got my tax bill and all the people that I know, their taxes went up about \$500."

Supervisor Villella: "I can answer that. Well, first of all, you're absolutely right. The school taxes are high but there's a problem because the formula for school taxes, for the school district, is way out of whack. The state is not helping us out. I set up a meeting for March 12. This is the first time that we're having a meeting— the Town Board— I'm setting it up. I have nothing to do with the school district, the school board or anything. I'm here to help them out. I have no control over the school taxes. That's not us up here, that's the school board. But I set a meeting March 12 because Mr. Schmelzer sitting right there, George, gave me some

information and we are meeting with Sen. LaValle, Assemblywoman Pat Acampora and Assemblyman Fred Thiele, the school board, the town board, right here and we're going to hash it out because Riverhead School District is not getting its fair share. We're only getting 29% of state aid where other districts in the area are getting anywhere from 70 to 90%. We're land rich, but we're poor and the formula is wrong and we're going to fight to get what we can for the school district. Because whatever helps out the school district helps out the town and that's what we're doing. So it's March 12."

Robert Marascia: "Well, the other thing I'd like to bring up is is you're supposedly going to get some money for this property, this found money for Calverton, it's \$55,000,000 or whatever it is-- "

Supervisor Villella: "If we get it, correct."

Robert Marascia: "If this money was put into a fund-- "

Supervisor Villella: "Right."

Robert Marascia: "-- an interest bearing fund-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Exactly."

Robert Marascia: "-- and that would defer some school taxes-- "

Supervisor Villella: "Absolutely."

Robert Marascia: "Is this part of the proposal?"

Supervisor Villella: "Yes."

Robert Marascia: "Okay, well this hasn't been explained to anybody."

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Not only would we get the interest from the fund, but we'll also receive tax dollars from the improvements on the property."

Supervisor Villella: "The tax dollars and everything go to the school district. The school district on your tax bill is 58 to 60%-the tax bill. They will be getting that much from the Grumman taxes. The money that's in the account that we purchased-- that we sold, that money is going to be held in an account, a special account, and we

have to have a referendum on that to form an account so no Town Boards in the future can come in and say hey, we want that money, we want to spend it somewhere. It has to be earmarked, we keep it in a certain fund and use the interest on that to go into the town taxes. Absolutely right."

Robert Marascia: "Sounds good."

Supervisor Villella: "Well, I'm glad you came up to say this because you are probably hearing things out there. I got crucified for the tax bills. The town taxes went up on an average of \$57. Believe me it's \$57 too much but it went up \$57 and I'm getting crucified for \$700, \$800 people are saying. That's the reason--"

Robert Marascia: "Yeah, I just got a \$500 increase in taxes."

Supervisor Villella: "I know where you're coming from. We need--"

Supervisor Villella: "You want to know? We get 1.5 million dollars in taxes right now from there. Of that, the Town of Riverhead gets \$379,000. Of that \$379,000, our services that we give outweigh what we're getting in. You think I like that? No."

Robert Marascia: "There's something wrong."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "I don't want to say it. You're right. There is something wrong."

Robert Marascia: "Well, are you here to change this?"

Supervisor Villella: "I've been fighting to change it; I'm asking for more money to help out with the police. The police are up there constantly. It's a huge shopping center. It's not major things; they're minor things, you know, someone stealing-- "

Robert Marascia: "We're not here to support them. I don't think. The people in this room are not here to support that Tanger. They came out here because it was at the end of the road, it was a great place to-- "

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<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "They should do more for the Town of Riverhead, absolutely."

Robert Marascia: "Absolutely."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "We know that. And they try on certain things but they're very weak in others."

Robert Marascia: "They're building Tanger III."

Supervisor Villella: "No, there's no Tanger III."

Robert Marascia: "Well-- it's Tanger II-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "It's being finished, right."

Robert Marascia: "Okay, but we still haven't reaped any benefit from this."

Supervisor Villella: "The Assessors-- I talked to the Assessors-- okay, the new buildings are coming on line so next year's tax bill they will be paying more taxes, the buildings that are up now, like Office Max and them, that group, next year's tax bill-- next year's tax bill-- there shouldn't be any, I hope, there shouldn't be any raise in town taxes."

Robert Marascia: "I just don't understand why we're serving them; they should be serving us. It was our property."

Supervisor Villella: "What-- the police-- you mean, it wasn't our property."

Robert Marascia: "The Riverhead town-- Riverhead's private property."

Supervisor Villella: "It was private property, it wasn't Riverhead Town property."

Robert Marascia: "Okay. But we're collecting the taxes. I mean, at what rate was the property there when it was vacant?"

Supervisor Villella: "Very low."

Robert Marascia: "And now you've got how many stores?"

Supervisor Villella: "A lot."

Robert Marascia: "And I still get a tax increase? All these people here get a tax increase?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "You know what I would like? I would like you to set up a meeting in my office and I could talk to you about a few things. I can't say things here now."

Robert Marascia: "I'll take any time."

Supervisor Villella: "Excuse me?"

Robert Marascia: "Give me a time and I'll be there."

Supervisor Villella: "No, you set it up. I don't know. Is there any of my-- "

Robert Marascia: "For me, my calendar is open for this."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Just give a call and say that you were here-- you spoke to Vinny and-- because Kim's not here, no one is here."

Robert Marascia: "All right. I'll give you a call."

Supervisor Villella: "And also-- yes, I know where you're coming from."

Robert Marascia: "Well, you know, I just don't understand it. I mean, you know, how many years-- 20 years that Shoreham Wading River bragged about their \$1,500 taxes and houses twice the size of what we have. Right. And Riverhead Town-- if I took the square acreage of Lilco and took the square acreage of just Tanger itself, should draw more tax than we had from Lilco."

Supervisor Villella: "Set up the meeting."

Robert Marascia: "I'll be there-- "

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "Sir, Shoreham Wading River-- because they're suffering huge tax increase now in Shoreham Wading River."

Robert Marascia: "I don't care about now. It's been 20 years."

Councilman Kent: "Well, they were getting--"

Supervisor Villella: "Their taxes-- "

Robert Marascia: "And it wasn't even on line."

Councilman Kent: "The entire county is now paying that back.
So they got the benefit-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "There is a problem, Robert. I'll explain everything to you."

Robert Marascia: "Okay. Thank you."

Councilman Kent: "Who's the next speaker?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "It looks like Doug Seebode. Is that correct? Hey, one out of two, I'm all right. I'm batting 500 now."

Doug Seebode: "I've got a few questions for you gentlemen. I've been sitting back here tonight and I have young children in the school district and you talk about how you are for the youth and how you are trying to do programs and stuff and it really baffles me that a 10, 12 year old child can walk along Raynor Road and all these other roads to go to school because they're just short of the busing district. Now, my daughter has been walking to school since the 5th grade in this district. Now, I've lived in Riverhead Town since 1970 and these kids have got to walk along the shoulder of the road-- "

Councilman Kent: "I think you need to go to the school board board-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, no, no. Let him speak."

Doug Seebode: "No, no. This is not a school board issue."

Councilman Kent: "Oh, you're talking about sidewalks? Are you
talking about sidewalks?"

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "This is an issue of a 10 and 12 and 13 year old child walking down the road at 6:30, 7:00 in the morning on a rainy day, on a snowy day. You know as well as I do, both parents have to work nowadays. My wife leaves work every day at 2:30 to pick my daughter up and bring her home. Now good thing she's got a good boss

and she works locally here in Riverhead and he understands, otherwise she'd be walking in the pouring rain, in the ice cold, in a snowstorm. Now, if the school district is going to mandate that if you live less than a certain area for a certain age, a certain distance, then the Town really needs to address that with the school district and do something about either having people at these crossroads. There's nobody at the crossroads over there at Pulaski and Raynor while kids are walking."

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Supervisor Villella: "Let me write that down."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "There's nobody at the corners of Raynor and Osborn. And you know how people drive down that road. I mean it's no secret. I had a dog killed there seven years ago. The dog was on the shoulder of the road. The person never saw it. Okay. That could have been—just as well have been my daughter or your daughter or anybody's child."

Councilman Kent: "Yes, we need to look into that because they
did extend the distance."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "Believe me. I've been through this with the school district. I live nine-tenths of a mile. Nine-tenths to my front door from the school and they didn't offer bus service, by a tenth of a mile. Now they bill me for that in my tax bill. They bill me for bus service just like they do you and everybody else. Well, if they're going to bill me for a service, they should provide it as far as I'm concerned."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Is there a bus that goes by there that you see in the morning?"

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "There's four buses that go past my development every morning and I know two of them went to Pulaski and at least one goes to the high school or junior high. And they said if you don't live more than a mile away, your child has to walk. And I find that a little ridiculous."

Councilman Kent: "It used to be a half a mile."

Supervisor Villella: "That's what-- "

<u>Councilman Kent:</u> "So I think we should work with the school district to provide additional crossing guards for the great

distance."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "I mean, you know these roads. And there's other roads in Riverhead that are surrounding the schools that these kids are walking on that there's no good viable sidewalks."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "No. Raynor and Pulaski is a high traveled speed road. They go pretty fast on there, too."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "You know how that road is. You know, I mean these kids shouldn't be on there. Not at that time of the morning."

Councilman Lull: "Using the formula the school district uses, kids who are walking from the junior high school or from the middle school do not have a crossing guard and do not have a bus transportation to cross Route 58, which means they have to walk across Route 58. That's more dangerous than anything."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "Okay, well, I mean I'm just using my instance because I live down off of Raynor. But there are people who live on the other side of 58, down there by McCabes farm, you know, Brian McCabe, you know, and all up and down that strip that are just within those limits and those kids shouldn't be crossing the highway. And you know if you are going to do something for the youth, you know, a youth center is fine and that's like icing on the cake. But let's protect the-- "

Supervisor Villella: "The safety issue is-- "

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "What's going to stop, you know, a 12 year old walking to school and somebody abducting her or abducting him?"

Supervisor Villella: "You're saying between Pulaski and-- "

Doug Seebode: "When you leave my house at Raynor-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, not Raynor. I'm talking about-- the cross guard. You said we have no-- "

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "There's no crossing guard until you get to Osborn and Pulaski and until you get-- by the school. There's no crossing guards anywhere else. There's no crossing guard down there at Roanoke, Roanoke and Pulaski Street."

Councilman Kent: "All of Polish Town walks to school."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "I live right on the outskirts of Polish Town. Okay. It's not a secret that there's a lot of kids walking every morning. You know, we should have learned our lesson about what happened to that young lady— as tragic as it was, walking from BOCES to the high school. And she was 18 years old."

Supervisor Villella: "Do you think this is something we could bring up at the March 12th-- we'll mention this at the March 12th meeting that we're having-- because I believe in partnership. If we could help out with the school district, fine."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "One other quick thing-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Because I believe in partnerships. If we can help out with the school district, fine."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "One other quick thing I just want to address to you gentlemen. Just one quick thing, please. This hunting situation that you have at Grumman-- "

Supervisor Villella: "That was a fiasco."

Doug Seebode: "Well, apparently you all discussed it, you said, okay, we're going to open up hunting. Then apparently from what I can gather, maybe I don't have all the facts, a veterinarian from Ridge, from the Town of Brookhaven, came into the Town of Riverhead and said you shouldn't hunt there because there's enough food and there's not that many deer. Well, let me tell you what. I used to live off of Kay Road and I'm sure all you gentlemen know where that is. Okay. I can tell you many mornings driving to work into Riverhead, how many hundreds of deer are out in that field. Okay. Under controlled atmosphere, hunting can be good because most of the people who do it under controlled atmosphere are people who (inaudible) it. And to let somebody come in from another town and delegate what we're going to do in our own town, seems kind of ridiculous to me. Now, I understand that there's a Board member-- "

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "You were mistaken about that, about where that information came from."

Doug Seebode: "Okay."

Councilman Lull: "But the-- one of the issues that did come up, there were two issues that did come up, one of the issues that came to the Supervisor's office was the issue of Riverhead hunters not being given any kind of priority in being able to hunt and the other issue was the fact that we have there a deer population which has been fenced in for 50 generations and it may very well be time to offer somebody who has some sort of wildlife expertise, not the DEC who has a vested interest in hunting licenses, but rather somebody who can make a study of a closed society for 50 generations a chance to look at it. We had just gotten the property when this came up and giving them a chance to do it-- to look it over, to evaluate the situation--that is, we were operating without correct information, without complete information."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "I understand your point and I can tell you how many times I've seen hit deer along that road, okay. I travel that road every day going to work now, I work in Port Jeff and I drive that road any day and I can tell you on any given day you always see some form of animal hit. And those deer, they jump the fence whether anybody wants to believe that or not, they do."

Councilman Lull: "Oh, I've seen them jump the fence. But I also have a problem with the fact that a whole line of hunters got up here and the DEC people got up here and told us that those deer were much smaller and much weaker than they should have been. Then they go turn around and tell us they watched them jumping a six foot fence. You really can't have it both ways."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "Well, understandably so and maybe it should have been opened up to Riverhead residents since it was a Riverhead thing. They've been hunting on the RCA land for years, okay. But because it's the state, nobody can complain to them."

Supervisor Villella: "There's a plan for next season, next year."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "I mean, that's something that generates revenue for the town and, you know, as far as I'm concerned, if we don't start trying to generate some revenue for this town, like this other gentleman said with out taxes, my taxes have gone up \$1,300 in five years. If taxes keep going up at that pace, I'm moving and I've lived in this town since 1970. I'll move. Because you know what? I'm not going to pay \$6,000 for taxes. I'm not going to be like Longwood school district and I'm not going to be like Mt. Sinai school district

where people pay \$14,000 in school taxes or pay \$14,000 taxes, period. That's ridiculous. Maybe what you said, you know, having somebody look at the way they miscalculate everything-- "

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "The formula. The formula is wrong and we need our Senator and Assemblypeople to help us out with this."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "You know, it was a real eye opener when I guess whatever law came into effect that you had to send us tax bills even though the mortgage company paid it. When I opened up my tax bill and I found out I paid \$4,000 last year in taxes, I almost fell over."

Supervisor Villella: "That was the reason why-- I'm glad the state law put that in there to mail these out to people. I want people to realize exactly the county, the state, the town districts, I want them to see what they're paying for."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "I mean, I'll pay for taxes, but, you know, when taxes start getting, you know, uncontrollably—just raised blatantly as far as I'm concerned, you know, without any kind of notification that they were rising at that rate, you know, I mean—take a \$250 hit a year, that's a big hit to take in taxes especially, you know, people don't get raises like they used to when they work, you know. You've got two family incomes and then when you have to start paying higher mortgage or higher taxes, that forces people to move and that—"

Supervisor Villella: "We don't want that, I know."

Doug Seebode: "We don't want that. I mean I like Riverhead
town, I really do."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "That's why we're going to bat to try to help out the school district wherever we can."

<u>Doug Seebode:</u> "All right. Thank you for your time."

Supervisor Villella: "It's the bottom line because the formula is out of whack. And the upstate people will not vote for a different formula because it favors them. That's where the problem is. Yes."

Doug Seebode: "Yes. Thank you very much."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Thank you. It was very good what you asked for there. George. I didn't mean to wake you up, George."

George Schmelzer: "About farmland first. You held a meeting here a while back-- I was the only one-- I was the enemy, a whole bunch of environmental kooks in the room and Amper came in. Talked about saving the farmland. So I asked him if he ever worked on a farm, he said yes, he picked cherries upstate. I forgot for a few seconds-- I wanted to ask him a question, by the time I thought of it, it was too late, I was going to ask him were you paid to pick cherries or you just steal them, like try to steal people's land. If he wants to hear it now, okay. So that's the way it is.

Now, they say in Russia in 1917 Lenin told the people you give up your land and you're only losing your chains. You're doing just the opposite. What farm-- there's no farming business here. There's nowhat potato dealer is there? What machinery dealer, the last one? (Inaudible) closed up. There's no duck processing. Someone try to raise ducks, they couldn't even sell the damn things. Had to take them down to the town dump. What's all this bunk about saving farms? You've got sod farmers-- the sod farmers there for 30 to 40 years, use up all the topsoil. Then what? Nothing. What a bunch of fakers. Jesus. You ought-- all of you ought to wise up-- want some of this forest, not letting people move in. You don't want land to be used. I say anybody on the Town Board that wasn't raised or went to school here should resign and go back where you came from. That will set a good example, wouldn't it? I guess the only guy you got left would be Mark, huh? Was he raised here?"

Councilman Kwasna: "All the members were raised here?"

Supervisor Villella: "We went to school here."

George Schmelzer: "Huh?"

Supervisor Villella: "We were raised and went to school here."

George Schmelzer: "Who did?"

Supervisor Villella: "Right here."

George Schmelzer: "You did?"

Supervisor Villella: "Yeah."

George Schmelzer: "In Riverhead?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "My store's been here for 43 years. Where the hell have you been, George? You didn't buy shoes in my store. That's your problem."

George Schmelzer: "Well, I didn't get any damn shoes from you-I don't buy Chinese shoes that you were selling. Yeah. Okay. You know this-- what are you going to do to get rid of this Scenic River nonsense?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Let's do one at a time. You asked me to take care of the school district stuff. Then we'll do that other one later. You know, you're dealing with the state here."

George Schmelzer: "I've got a lot of stuff here."

Supervisor Villella: "I know you do, but we've got to do one at a time here."

George Schmelzer: "Well, this is another one-- still one -- see, one at a time. What are you going to do about getting rid of this Scenic River nonsense we have?"

Supervisor Villella: "Well, guys, you got an answer?"

George Schmelzer: "Come on, give me an answer. Say something."

Supervisor Villella: "You know what my answer is."

George Schmelzer: "What is it? What is your answer?"

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "If we don't do something about the dam in Grangibel Park we won't have to worry about a river."

George Schmelzer: "What?"

Supervisor Villella: "Right."

<u>Councilman Lull:</u> "I said if we don't do something soon about the dam in Grangibel Park, we won't have to worry about the river. It will all be out in the bay."

George Schmelzer: "What's the matter with the dam?"

Supervisor Villella: "We have a big problem."

George Schmelzer: "What's the matter with the dam?"

Councilman Lull: "The underfooting is-- "

George Schmelzer: "Huh?"

Councilman Lull: "The underfooting is weak."

George Schmelzer: "Well, I said a few years ago, throw some rocks in there, up the water level, the rocks, they won't wash away, that's the end of it."

Supervisor Villella: "We're going to do it in an orderly manner. We're going to do it the right way."

George Schmelzer: "What, one rock at a time, that's orderly, or a whole truckload at once? That's just like the LIPA, you know Long Island Power Authority, it's very confusing to strangers that come in here. I see LI in one color and PA is another color. Does that mean Long Island Pennsylvania Railroad? Or is the Long Island sold off to some Pennsylvania power company? What the hell does it mean? It's—we had the Long Island Railroad owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad, LIPA that was—but it's very confusing. They should tell this guy Kessel to paint only with one color on the truck instead of two colors."

Supervisor Villella: "This is a good history lesson. I like this."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah. I don't know why you're afraid to put up to a referendum last fall for Grumman to be an airport or not. I don't know what you're afraid of? Maybe some lobbyist got to you. I don't know. The people should have a right to say whether it's an airport or not. Don't you think so?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "I thought they did during the public hearings, but-- "

George Schmelzer: "No. That was no vote. For a public hearing, you've got a certain group wants to come here, that's all you get. The library does it crooked, too, they don't have a library vote on November, they have it a different time so the ones who want it come to vote yes and the ones who don't want it are not too concerned, they don't come so they win. If you are going to forget about an

airport down there-- five minutes for each subject."

Supervisor Villella: "One more minute. Go ahead, George. We've got to let Bill speak."

George Schmelzer: "Why don't you open up the line road again?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Excuse me?"

George Schmelzer: "Open up the line road again."

Supervisor Villella: "By Calverton there?"

George Schmelzer: "You've been around 40 years, you say, you
should know where it is."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Yes, as a matter of fact, inside there, we are-- we are talking about doing something there."

George Schmelzer: "Well, it went down-- up to 25 before, went quite a bit south, see. That-- so you are going to open it up? It's about time then, okay. It still-- it might be on the books yet that it's still a road. All they've got to do is open the fence, see. I don't think-- bend in the road, the government did that, but the town didn't do it."

Supervisor Villella: "Go ahead, you've got 30 seconds, George, go ahead."

George Schmelzer: "Thirty seconds, that's all?"

Supervisor Villella: "You've got to let someone else have a chance."

George Schmelzer: "My eyes are getting weak now from looking at
vou-- "

Supervisor Villella: "You've got to eat carrots."

George Schmelzer: "Carrots? That's only for rabbits. Oh, like talk about bids before, stuff on bids. Well, sometimes bids don't work so good. I remember when the ice company charged less than a dollar for a cake of ice to the duck farmers, they were selling ice to the air base. Some government auditor discovered they were doing it

illegally, because they didn't put the ice out on bids. So this was told to me by Mr. Conklin (phonetic), he's dead now. So they received his bid sheet from the government, you have to bid on it. I said put down \$3.00 so he won the bid. Instead of getting less than a dollar, now they're getting \$3.00 for the ice because nobody else bid on it, see."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Thank you, George. Steve is next. He has to come up now. George."

George Schmelzer: "I've got to go?"

Supervisor Villella: "Yes. Steve has to-- "

George Schmelzer: "Can I have a second run?"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "We'll see how it goes but Steve is next."

George Schmelzer: "Okay, Steve. Come on up."

Supervisor Villella: "You could come on in my office and speak to me if you want."

George Schmelzer: "It was sneaky before. Somebody had this thing turned off and they didn't know it. I think they knew it. But, all right."

Supervisor Villella: "Thanks, George."

George Schmelzer: "Yeah."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Yeah."

George Schmelzer: "I'm only half done though."

Supervisor Villella: "Steve?"

Steve Haizlip: "Steve Haizlip of Calverton. I've got five items but I don't know if you'll let me do them or not."

Supervisor Villella: "Go ahead."

Steve Haizlip: "I'm trying to do things here for the benefit of

the people in this town."

Supervisor Villella: "That's good. Let's hear it."

Steve Haizlip: "And I got a letter here, George is talking about Lipa. I got a letter here from Mr. Kessel and I wrote to him and told him that I didn't appreciate the fact that Brookhaven town did the overassessment at Shoreham and the Supervisor at the time (inaudible). And so he writes back and he says I understand your feelings related to different rates for different towns in Suffolk. but the fact is Suffolk County itself was a big beneficiary of the overassessment of the plant. In other words, because Suffolk County put out a tax warrant to all the towns to get taxes to run that top heavy government over there, we got to share in the overassessment. And I am not pleased with Mr. Kessel's answer and I remember Mr. Kessel when he was a commuter and he dreamed up a letterhead to make himself important and because the rates were keeping going up on the Long Island Railroad. So he worked himself right into Cuomo's little boudoir and then he convinced Pataki, you need me. And that's how he's there.

Now, I'm going to take a word from George. Do you realize how many entities are mooching off of your telephone? Well, I got a little hot about that when I seen the bill and I wrote to the Public Service Commission and in turn they forwarded it to Bell Atlantic and a Mrs. Lafonti (phonetic) called me up and then she sent me this sheet. Now, Bell Atlantic itself mooches \$6.60 because you've got the phone hanging on the wall and you go out to their line. Each month they're mooching on you for that. Now, they have a flat rate usage of \$8.68. I mean when it's all said and done here, Vinny, they're mooching to the tune of \$22.75 on your phone to have it in the house. Now, we're not through. Al Gore and Bill Clinton, which is the greates swindlers that's going, and the greatest fundraisers, come in and they said, oh, you've got to put wiring in all the schools in all the countries so that's slapped on us. So you've got damn near \$25 in mooching before you start dialing your phone. I just thought I'd let the people of this town-- "

Supervisor Villella: "That's why they got all those Ma Bells."

Steve Haizlip: "Yeah. Okay. Now, you know I consider all us people here in this town to be good citizens and good first rate citizens. But you know when it rains heavy, like it did on the 3rd of January and just this past week and which will be coming tomorrow,

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when you want to go over to the landfill and get rid of some yard waste, I'll tell you it is troublesome and it is horrible. Where you've got to go down to the (inaudible) place, it is all water and muddy all over the place to drive through it but now when you have to back up into the tunnel to unload, you get out, you are walking in six inches of water, water is over your shoes and everything. Now, I don't know who's over there, yard waste or what have you that takes this, but I think we have a sanitation guy on the job and I would like to see-- get that bulldozer and get that ground built up and so it will be dry and get that tunnel that goes back and creates all that water you've got to walk in to unload and whatever you've got to do."

Supervisor Villella: "Steve, on that, why don't we take a ride up there and you can explain to me what it's all about and I could ask the guys, they have the equipment up there. They've got the crush base that they could build it up. I don't know where you-- exactly where you're talking about."

## Steve Haizlip: "All right."

Supervisor Villella: "Why don't you make an appointment; we'll go up there and look at it. Do you know what he's talking about? Yes, okay. Keep on going, Steve. Just a little while, we've got a couple minutes."

Steve Haizlip: "All right. At the work session, I couldn't speak at the work session, all I could do was listen. But Mr. O'Dell (phonetic), I tell you. That poor guy I feel sorry for him for what he's had to go through and if the town is contemplating doing something there or getting the contractor back, it would be a welcome sight for him and in the first place, I said it before, I don't know who passed that house because this was (inaudible) nice and level where it can substain no water running into it. And that house, two or three inches off the ground, and it passed all our inspectors and what get me so mad is when I presented the drawings to Stark and he was going to go see it, he never did. So that's what gets me. So, that's where I say, you're going to give the town to the people to help them, I'm glad to hear that.

Now, you've got a dumpster sitting up here on West Main, just going around the curve, headed up Griffing or whatever that street is. How about—— how come they don't put some nice reflectors on it so you can spot the thing a little ways before you get to it and you don't have to come up on it?"

Supervisor Villella: "You're right, it is a bad-- "

Steve Haizlip: "Right. Now, when I left from here one night to go from the Town Board, you run up on it before you realize it there."

Supervisor Villella: "It is bad because I almost didn't see it- I thought it was taken out of there recently."

Steve Haizlip: "Well, it was there yesterday."

Supervisor Villella: "It was?"

Steve Haizlip: "Yeah."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Maybe we could have them put it in the back. I know he's tearing up everything in there."

Steve Haizlip: "Oh, that's all right. I think it's safe enough where it is, but the only thing is if they could just get reflectors for night, daytime you can see it, just get reflectors for night so that when you are coming around there you spot it.

Now, Vinny, I don't want to sound facetious or smart aleck--"

Supervisor Villella: "You're not, Steve."

Steve Haizlip: "But did you ever get your budget adjusted to where you could find 200 and 210 and get it up on the buildings?"

Supervisor Villella: "You want to know something? You're absolutely right because the gentleman that was here earlier, said it was 210. It's not. It's 200."

Steve Haizlip: "It's 200 here-- "

Supervisor Villella: "Right."

Steve Haizlip: "And 210 over there."

Supervisor Villella: "Yes, but the gentleman here said 210 here. Steve, do me a favor-- Kim, everybody was notified to get those numbers. The engineer department was notified. I still don't know where they are. From that last meeting you brought up, we already called up downstairs."

Steve Haizlip: "Right. All right."

Supervisor Villella: "No, it's not great. It's not done. It should be done."

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Steve Haizlip: "No, I mean--"

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "You, George and Bill-- I know you're trying to help out with situations. I know that. There's some stuff that you're not helping, but-- "

Steve Haizlip: "I never forget the day I walked out of here and there was those people walking around looking and I had to help them to tell them were the police station was-- "

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, Steve, we have to get Bill."

Steve Haizlip: "And as far as this gentleman's taxes, we've got
too much top heavy government in this town."

Supervisor Villella: "What are you talking about? We don't get paid enough. What are you-- we're the lowest paid."

Steve Haizlip: "That county legislator is getting a lot of money over there, \$80,000."

Supervisor Villella: "Robert, you're going to set that up then? Just call up any time and speak to the secretary and set that meeting up. I'm sorry, Bill. Yes, Bill, I'm sorry. Go ahead."

William Kasperovich: "All right. William Kasperovich from Wading River. I wish you gentlemen would just reflect back on this resolution 248 that you passed wherein you're engaging a specialist in a modern sophisticated electronic world. When other police departments are being used as reference, it's not very pleasant for a public citizen to get up here and remind the Town Board that we have a man titled police commissioner and this commissioner should contact these various people in the other police departments that are being used as reference as to just what their reference is."

Supervisor Villella: "Right, that was Southampton Town Police. That's what I did."

William Kasperovich: "But to listen to a man that's title

financial administrator talk about references-- "

Supervisor Villella: "It wasn't him, it was his-- the person that works in his department, Charlene that does the grants and everything is the one that got these people together and this is the best person that they came up with when I spoke to the Town of Southampton and I didn't speak to the county, Charlene spoke to the county."

William Kasperovich: "Next person would be alongside the person that gets the money, that's of course the person is in square one. But the next person should be a high ranking police officer and the next man alongside him should be the police commissioner. We are doing things for the police, the police have to be administered by the Town Board with regard to electronic installations."

<u>Councilman Cardinale:</u> "Who makes the phone call to find out who can do it cheaper?"

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "The-- when you come into an area where you don't have many people to choose from, it's very difficult to get somebody that already has covered the groundwork in Long Island."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "No, just part of Long Island. This particular group doesn't do all-- there's other groups out there that do it, Bill."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "All right. But if you go as police commissioner you ask for their opinion of the conduct and installation eyeball to eyeball, you will get a response. These police officers don't take a back seat to people that make installations for their use."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "That's the only reason-- well, I only did it with Southampton Town, the people that I know, the captains and--"

William Kasperovich: "Well, then getting another price is in order. Now, if another price is not available then that should come to light that there is no equal to this individual, which I find hard to believe exists. Well, we're trying to upgrade the police department and grant money shouldn't be the first priority. The use of what we do with the police department with this grant money that's more important."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "That's the way it is."

William Kasperovich: "It certainly didn't sound that way."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Whatever if it's grant money for this person or another person, it's still the same money, Bill. It doesn't come out of a different area."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "What I would like to see the police commissioner in Riverhead function-- in all the years I've been here, he's always had taken a back seat-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, I haven't been-- as a matter of fact,
I'm the one-- "

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "No, I'm talking about your-- the previous people that sat in your chair."

Supervisor Villella: "How do you know what I've been doing? You haven't heard me yet."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "Well, you've only been with us for a year and two months."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Right. And I'm negotiating the contract with the PBA and SOA which no other Supervisor did."

William Kasperovich: "Okay."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "And they'll be signing their contracts very shortly."

William Kasperovich: "All right."

Supervisor Villella: "I took the bull by the horns which no one else wanted to do. Because the last time a Councilman did it, he never got back into Councilman. I'm not afraid of-- I want to do what's fair for everybody. There's a lot of things out there, misconceptions that I don't-- people don't see me doing, but there's a lot of things I am doing, but I don't have to blow my horn to everybody. Maybe I should to let people know what's going on, but I feel comfortable what I'm doing. I know I'm doing what's best for the people and so are these guys up here."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "Well, I don't doubt that you are and I think this is the opportunity you have to so say and it's not a matter of blowing your horn, it's a matter of extending correct factual information to the public. And the word police commissioner doesn't appear that frequently which I think it should."

Supervisor Villella: "Bill, they gave me a car without a siren and lights-- that's just a joke."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "On-- I'd like to say a few words on public hearings."

Supervisor Villella: "Yes, go ahead."

William Kasperovich: "If I'm incorrect, it's only because I don't have the inside track and I don't have any way to verify whether such is the case or not. But the public hearings are taken verbatim. I'm told that these printed sheets of the public hearings verbatim are distributed to the entire Town Board without question."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Most of the time we talk about them at work session, but continue, Bill."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "All right. I could understand these comments made by the public being edited at the presentation in the work sessions, but I find it distrubing when the editing omits certain items and certain items are presented in a lesser manner."

Adam Grossman: "Bill, there is no editing the minutes of public hearings. They are transcribed by the Town Clerk's Office and reviewed by the Town Board, but they are reviewed in order to consider the subject matter that's discussed, but the Town Board considers the information in written form. But there is no editing involved at all."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "Not editing in the printing from the tape recorder. Editing in the presentation to the Board on whoever is presenting the case or situation."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "I'm sorry, Bill. I'm not-- "

William Kasperovich: "You're not with me?"

Supervisor Villella: "I was with you up until that point."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "I don't want to present specific examples."

Supervisor Villella: "Well, maybe you should."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "But if you go down the list of who and why certain people objected to certain things and you get finished and there is a big gap of a serious matter that was omitted, we have no way to rectify it."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Where was it omitted? That's what I'm trying to find out, Bill. Where?"

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "When you list the different yeas and nays by the public at the public hearing."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Yeas and nays. We don't do that, but be more-- really, I don't know. The comments from the public?"

William Kasperovich: "Yes."

Supervisor Villella: "All right, okay."

William Kasperovich: "That's what I'm talking about."

Supervisor Villella: "Okay, and the yeas and-- "

 ${\underline{\hbox{William Kasperovich:}}}$  "The different aspects, the different concerns, the different--"

Supervisor Villella: "I'm over here with-- I make checkpoints every time we have a public hearing, I have people that are saying yes and no, I have like a little-- I'm trying to follow what the people are saying. I don't know what-- you mean you want us to keep it on record the yeas and nays or-- "

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "No. When you're discussing a particular matter, at this time a listing all inclusive of the-- what was taken verbatim should be in the hands of every board member such that they know exactly what was said at the public hearing. Now a lot of water goes under the bridge between the public hearing and the time that the subject matter comes to conclusion at a work session. This is understandable. But at the same time-- "

Supervisor Villella: "No, it works the other way, Bill. Like you said, the work session we talk about it, then we have the public hearing the following week we have public hearings. We don't have a work session after the public hearing."

"Bill, I think what the point you're trying Councilman Kwasna: to make is that yes, sometimes a lot of time does pass between the time of the public hearing and the time the Town Board calls for the vote on a particular resolution that pertains to that public hearing. And I think what you're trying to say is that we do have the minutes of those public hearings available to all the Town Board members, they are supplied with all those minutes and I think what you're trying to say is that we should have those minutes of that public hearing there-- up here on the desk that night when we vote on that resolution because you feel that there's points being made up here on the Board in discussion on the resolution of certain points of this particular project that we're not sure of, but if we went back to the minutes of the public hearing, that we'd see it. I think that's what you're saying. Is that we should all be aware and not reargue a point that was already argued at the public hearing."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "I'm talking about the work session, not the Board meeting voting on the resolutions. This is the work session prior to the vote."

<u>Councilman Kwasna:</u> "Right. That we should have the minutes there."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "You should have it in front of you when it is being discussed."

Councilman Kwasna: "All right."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "Granted, it's many pages long and there's a lot of items that--"

Councilman Kwasna: "And from time to time, Bill, we do ask—we do go back to our office and grab the public hearing and bring it back to the work session and we ask Barbara, I know Barbara knows from time to time we've asked her to supply copies of the public hearing at the work session so that we can go over it again. Yes, sometimes it is missed and your point is very well taken and we appreciate you bringing that up to us and, hopefully, we can do it that way for in the future that we have that available that day of the work session,

the minutes of the public hearing so we don't have to rehash everything over again that was already stated at the public hearings."

William Kasperovich: "You put it across better than I could."

Councilman Kwasna: "Okay."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "That's what I was trying to bring to your attention and I think it would make for, although it's a little more paperwork for the Town Clerk-- "

Councilman Kwasna: "She prints them up for us anyhow, Bill. It's our responsibility to hold onto them and keep them for any future reference that we may have. It's our responsibility."

William Kasperovich: "In the concern in all directions, this I think would end up as being helpful and (inaudible) that you didn't miss this item or you didn't stress this item or this item wasn't presented. A lot of people get up here and talk for a long time and don't say too much about the point at hand. Other person will come up here and emotionally cry and appeal to your sympathies. This is for you to shift the wheat from the shaft. This is—but with those papers in front of you at the time of the discussion, then there is nothing falling between the chairs. That's my observation and trying to be helpful—"

Supervisor Villella: "It's helpful."

<u>William Kasperovich:</u> "More paperwork but I think it would accomplish a great deal. Thank you."

<u>Supervisor Villella:</u> "Thanks, Bill. Sal, did you want to speak? Anyone? Anyone else. No, George, you already— we have to close the meeting then. Lou, anything? The other Lou, two Lous. Gary, no one. Meeting adjourned."

Meeting adjourned: 9:48 p.m.

Sarbara Diattan